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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to <u>file a Request for Continued Examination in</u> response to the Final Rejection mailed on December 26, 2001 (Paper No. 11):

three months to June 26, 2002; the extension fee is:

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[] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated

[X] A Petition for a one-month Extension of Time was filed on April 26, 2002 in the amount of \$55.00.

[X] An extension fee in the amount of \$865.00 is enclosed.

[] Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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